

GATES SCARED MORGAN AND MADE \$10,000,000

August Belmont Admits on the Witness Stand that Gates Scared Him as Badly as He Did Morgan, but Insists that He Still Controls the Road.

George W. Perkins, Partner of the Financier, Makes the First Public Statement of the Profits of the Western Plunger When He Cornered L. & N. Stock.

No wonder J. Pierpont Morgan, August Belmont and other conservative millionaires of Wall street were scared by John W. Gates's corner in Louisville and Nashville stock last May.

George W. Perkins, one of Mr. Morgan's partners, to-day made the first official statement of what the Western plunger made by his deal.

He put the figure at \$10,000,000. Col. Young, who represents the State of Kentucky in the complaint against the merger of L. & N. and the Atlantic Coast Line interests before the Interstate Commerce Commission, estimated the profits at from \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

The actual difference in figures shows that the coast line company paid \$10,000,000 more for the Louisville and Nashville stock than Gates paid for it. Mr. Perkins permitted the inference that Mr. Morgan took the \$200,000 as a part of the underwriting fee.

Mr. Morgan admitted at yesterday's hearing that Gates had frightened him into taking over the stock. Mr. Belmont made a similar admission at the hearing to-day.

Mr. Belmont, with a huge bouquet of violets, was one of the first of the important witnesses to arrive.

George W. Perkins, one of the Morgan partners, was first called, but Attorney General Pratt and Attorney B. H. Young, for Kentucky, insisted on calling Mr. Belmont first, and Mr. Perkins gave way for Mr. Belmont.

Q. What position did you or did you hold in the L. & N. A. I was and am chairman of the Board and Treasurer of the company.

When did you first hear that J. P. Morgan & Co. had acquired the controlling stock of the company from Harris, Gates & Co. A. Not until they had acquired it.

Q. Then you did not appeal to Mor-

SPECIAL JURY FOR TRIAL OF "SYSTEM."

District-Attorney Jerome Decides to Apply for Extraordinary Body, as Result of Bisset's Confession.

PROCEED AGAINST CANFIELD.

He, with Farrell, Ludlum and Others Will Keep the Special Jury Busy During Their Term.

In consequence of the revelations made by former Wardman Bisset concerning corruption in the Police Department, District-Attorney Jerome decided to-day to ask the Governor to call an extraordinary Grand Jury for the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court.

It is the intention of the District-Attorney to have the extraordinary Grand Jury handle nothing but police and gambling cases. The regular Grand Jury will be occupied with routine work.

If the idea of the District-Attorney is carried out proceedings will be begun against Richard Canfield, Frank Farrell and his partners, Lou Ludlum and other gamblers whose houses have been raided. Evidence will be introduced showing police collusion with gamblers and keepers of disorderly houses, and Bisset will be the most important witness.

Many Are Trembling.

The men "higher up" in the Police Department during the regime of Devry and Partridge, not a few of whom are still members of the department, were in panic to-day when they learned that former Wardman George Bisset had turned State's evidence and made a complete and corroborated confession to the police officials under whom Bisset served and who would consequently be most likely to be interested in his confession, were Police Captains Herlihy, Diamond and Doherty and Inspector Cross.

Why Bisset Is Sore.

Bisset, who is at the home of his father, Michael Bisset, at No. 1184 Jackson avenue, in the Bronx, said to-day:

"The reason I squealed was because certain people promised to protect me when I was in trouble and they failed to do so. They made every effort to protect themselves and forgot me utterly after I was sent to Sing Sing.

"A police captain and an inspector promised that I should be released from jail, reinstated in the department and influence brought to bear to have me promoted and made at least a sergeant. The best these men did was to bid me good-by when I went to prison.

"When I was on trial these men allowed me to spend all my money. I understood that a fund was to be raised in the department and that the expenses of my trial would be defrayed from that fund.

Failed to Protect Me.

"Nothing of the kind was done, and the officials who had promised to protect me so failed in carrying out their agreements that my father had to spend his money to carry on my defense.

"From what I know and what I have heard, I believe that within a short time certain high officials will be indicted and brought to trial. I will have no hesitation in appearing on the stand and telling what I know.

"If I am not now, whether I go to Sing Sing or not. As I have received no promise of immunity I don't know what the result of my case will be. But I am prepared to tell the truth and will go on the witness-stand willingly.

"I expect to appear as a witness against Andrew Witte, who is charged with attempting to get Minna Kurts and Lena Schmidt out of the jurisdiction of the District-Attorney so that they could not appear against Capt. Diamond. That is all I can say now."

JUDGE RUMSEY DIES SUDDENLY.

Famous Jurist and Soldier Expires of Heart Disease, After Leaving His Office Seemingly Perfectly Well.

HAD RETIRED FROM BENCH.

Ex-Supreme Court Justice William Rumsey died very suddenly at 2 o'clock this morning at his home, No. 200 West Fifty-sixth street, of heart failure.

Judge Rumsey worked all day long yesterday in his office at No. 24 Liberty street, where he was head of the law firm of Rumsey, Sheppard & Ingalls. He did not leave his office until nearly 6 o'clock in the evening, and then appeared to be in perfect health. He told his managing clerk that as he had a great deal of work to do to-day he would be down early in the morning.

After Judge Rumsey had eaten his supper he told his wife and daughter Blanche that he did not feel well. He went to bed early, but about midnight called to his wife that he felt as if he was suffocating. Mrs. Rumsey thought he was suffering from asthma and gave him some home remedies. As he got rapidly worse, however, Dr. Frederick Sonden and Dr. Biggs were called in. They worked on him for nearly two hours, but he died at 2:30 o'clock.

He leaves a widow, two daughters—Miss Blanche Rumsey and Mrs. John Sheppard—and one son—William Rumsey, Jr., who is employed in the Corporation Counsel's office.

He was born in Bath, N. Y., in 1844.

When Justice Herlick, of Albany, presiding in Trial Term, Part III., of the Supreme Court in this county, learned of the death of Judge Rumsey he immediately suspended the trial of the case in progress before him and adjourned his court until Monday. William B. Hornblower and Samuel Untermyer, who were in the courtroom, made brief speeches eulogizing the memory of the dead jurist.

Stock Reports on the Rail.

Closing quotations are placed on the Pennsylvania Special every day. This is the 20-hour train to Chicago.

SPECIAL EXTRA.

WHOLE BLOCK BURNS IN HARLEM; MANY LIVES MAY BE LOST.

A fire started in the dry-goods store of L. & N. Wortheimer, at One Hundred and Nineteenth street and Third avenue, at 5:30 o'clock this evening. It spread with amazing rapidity through to One Hundred and Twentieth street, destroying all the stores and creating a panic among employees.

It is reported three children were burned to death. Trains were blocked on both the up and down tracks, and the elevated structure itself was on fire several times.

There were 100 girls at work in the Wortheimer store, where the fire started. It is not known whether all escaped.

WINNERS AT NEW ORLEANS.
Fifth Race—Amigari 1, Tioga 2, Bucclauth 3.
Sixth Race—Boundlee 1, Joe Lesser 2, Chickadee 3.

PAYNE WHITNEY GREENE CALLS IN CANFIELD NET IN BYRNES.

He and Lawrence Waterbury Commissioner Gets the Advice of the Former Superintendent on Matters Pertaining to the Detective Bureau.

SEC. OF STATE'S SON-IN-LAW. "EXPERT IN POLICE AFFAIRS"

Payne Whitney, the younger son of William C. Whitney, who recently married the daughter of Secretary of State John Hay and Lawrence Waterbury, who was not permitted by the Governing Board of the Stock Exchange to take his seat after he had bought it, have both been subpoenaed to appear in the Canfield inquiry to-morrow.

They will both obey the subpoenas. They had hoped to play in the inter-city racquet match between New York and Philadelphia, which is to take place to-morrow in Philadelphia; but it has been announced in that city that they cannot participate owing to the subpoenas. Therefore Philadelphia expects to win.

Neither of these men's names has been mentioned as a possible witness in the Canfield case up to this time. It was said some weeks ago that District-Attorney Jerome was anxious to have Harry Payne Whitney tell what he knew about gambling in Canfield's place, but so far as known he has never put under subpoena. The news of their expected appearance to-morrow came from Philadelphia, where the two young men were obliged to make their excuses for their expected failure to take part in the racquet match.

Commissioner Greene, in his efforts to bring the police force up to its former high standing, sent for former Chief Thomas Byrnes this afternoon and was in consultation with him for more than an hour.

It is said that the Commissioner sought the advice of Byrnes on a number of important matters connected with the police force, especially as to the reorganization of the detective bureau, which the former chief brought to such a high state of efficiency.

When asked as to the nature of Byrnes's visit, Commissioner Greene said:

"I sent for Mr. Byrnes simply to get his views. He is an expert in police matters and I felt that his advice on certain matters would be of great value to me in my present work."

Gen. Greene added that Inspector Cortright was a very sick man, being completely disabled for the present with a distressing attack of rheumatism.

There is a general belief at Headquarters that Commissioner Greene is taking the keenest interest in the confession of Bisset and is in daily communication with District-Attorney Jerome in regard to the matter.

"Black and White," the best Scotch, is liked by men who appreciate good things."

RED STAR LINER

WILL SEARCH FOR THE ST. LOUIS.

When the Finland Sai's To-Morrow She Will Deviate from Her Regular Course, Shifting Northward, in Which Direction the Missing Steamer May Have Been Blown.

NOT AT PRESENT PLANNED TO SEND OUT OTHER TRACERS.

Officials of the International Navigation Company Say that if the St. Louis Has Been Disabled Completely There Is No Telling What Part of the Ocean She Is In.

Vice-President Wright, of the International Navigation Company, announced late this afternoon that the steamship Finland, of the Red Star Line, which sails on her regular trip for Antwerp to-morrow, will deviate to the northward from the steamship path in search of the missing St. Louis.

"We think it possible," said Mr. Wright, "that the prevalent north-westerly winds may have blown the St. Louis somewhat off her course to the north. This would account for her not being sighted by ships coming over the regular, or the southern routes. Of course, if the St. Louis is absolutely disabled it is impossible for us to estimate where she is."

THINK ST. LOUIS WILL BE FOUND.

"The Finland will keep a sharp lookout, and unless the St. Louis is heard from before the Red Star ship gets out to sea we think she will be picked up. In the mean time we have to repeat that we are not uneasy, and it would not surprise us at all to see the St. Louis come up the bay to-morrow."

Mr. Wright said that the International Navigation Company did not propose to send out any other steamships in search of the St. Louis.

Many calls, in person and over the telephone, were made at the Ship News Office, at the Battery, during the day from anxious inquirers for the belated steamship St. Louis.

One call over the telephone was from the Harlem branch of the Telephone Company. The manager there said that they had been receiving inquiries all day long for news of the steamship and asked that they be immediately notified when she was sighted.

One more ship that has passed over the track the missing St. Louis should have taken arrived in port to-day and reported that no sign had been observed of the missing American liner. This was the Manitou, of the Atlantic Transport Line, which came in six days late, having left Liverpool on Jan. 1.

SAW NOTHING OF LINER.

"We came over the northern route," said Capt. Cannons, "but saw nothing of the St. Louis. We had nasty weather all the way across and were blown out of our course several times. I imagine that this is what is the matter with the St. Louis. With the weather that has prevailed on the ocean there is no reason for alarm to my mind on account of the delay of the steamship."

The Manitou's captain, in reporting bad weather, does not agree with the captain of the Laurentian, which arrived yesterday. He said that after the first three days out the weather was fair.

The anxiety which has prevailed for a day or two past regarding the overdue liner grew more tense to-day. Officials at the company's office in the Empire Building had their tempers strained to-day by eager and excited inquirers. Those who had relatives and friends aboard were inclined to be resentful because of the company's admission through President Clement A. Griscom that the ship's boilers were leaky. The friends of stowage passengers at the pier were highly excited as the morning wore on and no hope could be held out to them that the ship would be sighted.

JUNIOR SECOND OFFICER SAFE.

It was learned to-day that William A. Smith, the junior second officer of the St. Louis, had asked for a leave of absence before the ship left this port, and is now at his home in Rochester.

The St. Louis has now beaten the record for belated ships of the American line, the St. Paul having on one trip been out 9 days, 20 hours and 18 minutes.

The Kaiserin Maria Theresia excepted, no ship that left the English Channel after the St. Louis has yet arrived, the Vaderland having sailed out of the channel about the time the St. Louis was clearing Cherbourg breakwater.

As the St. Louis did not pass the Vaderland it is to be assumed that if anything happened to one of her sets of triple expansion engines the accident occurred near the Scilly Isles. In this case the ship is slowly making her way in terrible weather toward her port.

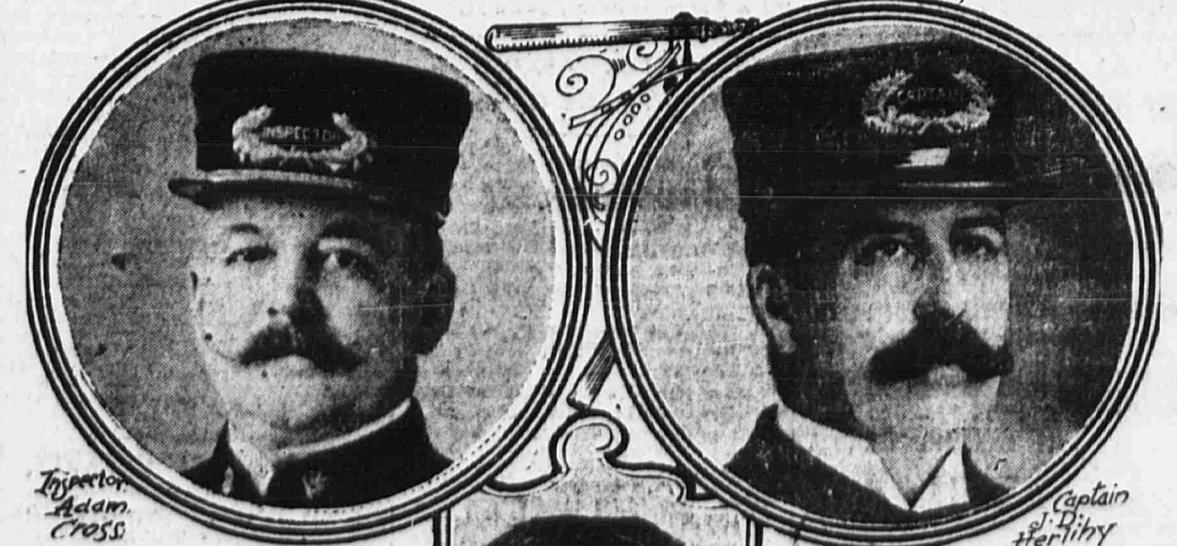
In the Paterson (N. J.) home of Mrs. Garret A. Hobart, the widow of the late Vice-President Hobart, the non-arrival of the steamship St. Louis is causing much alarm. Miss Kinsey, who has been Mrs. Hobart's guest for some time, is a daughter of Thomas Kinsey, the purser of the missing vessel. It has been the custom of Mr. Kinsey to visit his daughter here every time his vessel reaches New York, and the absence of any report as to the whereabouts of the missing ship has caused Miss Kinsey and her friends much anxiety.

Justice Cohen, of Paterson, is also anxiously awaiting news of the St. Louis, as he has a cousin on board who is coming over to pay him a visit.

LORRAINE DIDN'T SIGHT ST. LOUIS.

HAVRE, France, Jan. 16.—The French line steamer La Lorraine, from New York Jan. 8, which arrived here late last night, did not sight the overdue American line steamer St. Louis.

BISSERT, CONVICTED WARDMAN, WHO HAS TURNED STATE'S EVIDENCE, AND TWO MEN HE SERVED UNDER.



and collected, and seemed not to feel the effect of the prosecutor's argument.

CAUGHT AFTER A FIGHT.

Three Men Charged with Jewel Theft Taken by Detectives.

Charles Smith, John M. Williams and Thomas Ryan, all equipped with a half dozen aliases and described by the police as really bad men, with records a foot long, were arrested this afternoon after a hard fight, in which the Central Office men had to use their clubs freely.

The three men are charged with robbing the jewelry store of Titus Fantioli, of No. 35 Mulberry street, Newark, on the evening of Jan. 8.

CUBAN TREATY TO PASS.

Senators Assure the President of Favorable Action.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—President Roosevelt was assured today by Senators Aldrich, Lodge and Spooner of their belief that the Cuban reciprocity treaty would be ratified by the Senate.

It was stated that the treaty as amended by the Foreign Relations Committee was satisfactory practically to every Republican Senator.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 5 P. M. Saturday, for New York City and vicinity: Partly cloudy to-night; Saturday cloudy, followed by rain; fresh southwest to south winds.

A Notman's Income.

In the spot of railway trains is shown in the middle of the Pennsylvania Special, four trains to Chicago.

VOTING MACHINES THIS FALL.

The city took a step to-day in the direction of employing voting machines at the next November election. At the meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment an old resolution was presented agreeing to a trial of the machines providing they would be found to fill these requirements: Comply with the election law, admit the voting of a straight or split ticket, vote yes or no on public questions, simplicity in operation and capable of registering and showing the individual vote against the name of each candidate.

The board decided to forward the resolution to the Commissioner of Elections, who will report at the next meeting of the board.